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The Prayer of the Candidate is Not---Give us this Day Our Daily Bread---But Give us Your Support November 8th.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

Sunday a Big Day For the Great Bend Council.

After several weeks of hard work, some disappointments, as well as setbacks, the Knights of Columbus of this city and vicinity brought to a successful culmination their work by the initiation of a class of thirty-nine candidates last Sunday afternoon, the work being followed by a banquet.

Only a few years ago there was but one member living west of Hutchinson. With the aid of a few of those who were eligible, who lived in this vicinity, and after many ups and downs, a class of over 50, comprising what was the first class of Great Bend Council 862, was initiated. Soon after a second class was put on, and then those living in the vicinity of Ellinwood withdrew and formed a council of their own. Owing to the fact that this left the larger portion of the membership on the north side of this county, and since that time the meetings have generally been held in Hoisington. A few months ago a council was organized in Claffin, and now that this last class has been put on in this city, a division will be made of the council, and the members on the north side of the county will form a new council. This gives this county four councils of the order, with an aggregate membership of about 500. This is not as large a membership as some of the counties, but is much larger in proportion to our population. Those who were instrumental in getting the first class through in Great Bend certainly have occasion to feel proud of their work. And when they remember that the state officers of the order thought it would be impossible to organize here, they have even more reason to be proud over the result of their labors.

The class of last Sunday was a fine one. It was the result of the untiring efforts of N. J. Berscheidt, the Murphy boys, the Keenan boys, Urban McGreevey, and many others, and the young men are to be congratulated on their success. The first and second degree work was put on in an able manner by the degree team of the St. Joseph's council of Ellinwood. The third degree was put on by the state deputy, Charles McCarthy, and his team from Kansas City, assisted by past state deputy J. W. Gibbons, of Topeka. The work was successfully carried out to the entire satisfaction of both candidates and members.

A large delegation of members of the order and their ladies were present. There were delegations from all over this county, also from Spearville, Kingman, Hays City and many visiting members who happened to be in this section of the state. Over two hundred members were present, and they assembled in the hall in the morning, and as a body marched to church where Father Hermanns celebrated mass and preached an excellent sermon, it was indeed an inspiring sight, and one long to be remembered. The choir must not be forgotten for the excellent music furnished.

Following the degree work an excellent banquet was served by the ladies of the parish, whose untiring efforts were crowned by the plaudits of those who partook of the feast. Over three hundred were served. Excellent music was furnished by the Morris orchestra, of Ellinwood. Responses to toasts were made by the state deputy, other officers of the team, and many of those from home. And after a day and evening of much good accomplished for the cause, and much pleasure in the final culmination of the day, all repaired to their homes, feeling that many had been enrolled in one of the noblest and best orders in existence.

The postoffice at Heizer was robbed last Saturday night, and about \$3 in money and \$80 worth of stamps were taken. The thief will probably be caught soon, as it will be hard for him to dispose of the stamps without detection.

The Democratic Nominees.

The Democratic nominees for the various county offices, also the nominee for district judge, are making a clean, active campaign for votes, based on the services they have rendered in the positions to which some have aspirations for a second term, and those who have not previously served the people, on the basis that they can successfully conduct the affairs they ask to be placed in charge of.

Mr. Foley, the candidate for district judge, has been in this county for several days, and has made an excellent impression upon those who have formed his acquaintance. He is an able man, and one who will be an honor to the bench.

Mr. Feder, candidate for reelection as representative, is making a campaign for his second term on the record made in the session of the house in 1909. He invites your closest scrutiny of each and every act of his in that body, and is ready to abide by the results of the election, which will indicate whether or not he served the people of this county in a way that they desired to be served. Look up the record.

Charles Younk, who seeks a second term as county clerk, has served the office well and has always been at his post. He is a careful and painstaking official, who will be pleased to receive the support of the voters again.

Will Soderstrom, candidate for treasurer, needs no words of commendation. His ability to fill his job is known and appreciated by the taxpayers of the county.

E. E. Epperson, who aspires to again serve his county as register of deeds, has been described as being one of the very best men who have ever filled this office. He keeps his work up, and is always ready to answer any questions or to offer any service.

Charles Carroll, candidate for county attorney, is one of the wideawake young men of the county. He is honest, industrious, is qualified for the services he seeks to perform for you, and will make an excellent official.

There is nothing to be said concerning the candidacy of Harry Hall for a second term. His work in that office speaks for him, and the kind words that are spoken in his behalf by friends and foes alike, insure his re-election by an overwhelming vote.

As sheriff, Mike Dailey has performed his duties as he saw them. This is one of the hardest offices to fill there is, but Mike has been giving universal satisfaction, and is deserving a second term.

While there is, as a rule, but little work for the coroner, yet when there is work, it should be entrusted to competent hands and that was what was done by the people of this county when Dr. McCauley, of Hoisington, was elected. He is a candidate for a second term, and will be supported with a winning vote.

The office of county superintendent is one of the important offices in the county. The Democratic nominee, Miss Momyer, has the qualifications prescribed by law. She is a teacher of some twelve years experience in both country and city schools, and has always been giving the best of satisfaction. She is the daughter of an old soldier, is in every way competent for the place, and if elected will fill her office in a highly satisfactory manner.

Frank Wells, for district clerk, is a young man of integrity. He has never before asked for an office, but he is worthy of the confidence he is asking the people of this county to place in him, and he is qualified for the work. A vote for him will be a vote to place in a position of honor and trust a young man of limited means who is making every honorable effort to get ahead in the world.

Roy Cornelius, of Hoisington, is a candidate for county printer, to succeed himself. He has had the work only one term, and that has proven that the county printing can be done away from the county seat as well as at it. He

will receive a large vote among those who know him best, and while papers outside of the county seat are always boosting for the county, this is the first time that one of them has had a chance to get the county printing, and they are entitled to a second whack at it.

This is the first campaign in which a county assessor is elected, and however we may feel towards the law, the law is there, and an officer must be provided. Formerly he was appointed, but the last legislature provided for his election, and so we are doing it this year. Mr. Schwager, our nominee, has given entire satisfaction as a deputy assessor, and if chosen county assessor, will fill that office with equal ability and industry.

We present for commissioner of the 1st district, former commissioner Dick, whose record is such that it is not necessary to say anything for him. He was always an economical officer, and will fill the bill in that important position.

Scarlet Fever.

It is reported that quite a serious epidemic of scarlet fever has broken out at Hoisington. All of the schools and churches are closed and no public meetings are being held. The authorities are taking every possible precaution to check the spread of the disease, and it is thought by the exercise of care by all that it will soon be under control.

Sebastian Hartman.

Sebastian Hartman was born in Baiern, Germany. When he was ten years old, with his father and mother, he came to America and to Canada, where they settled on a homestead. Here he lived until he grew to manhood, and in 1857 he married Miss Eva Vogel, and to them were born eight children, all of whom survive now. In 1861 he with his wife moved to Shaska, Minnesota and resided on a farm until 1879, when his health failing there he went to Knobnoster, Mo., in the hope that the climate might benefit him. Here he lived for almost three years until the boom in Kansas commenced which brought so many people in to our state, and among them Mr. Hartman and family. Finally he settled on a farm two and one-half miles from this city where he lived and prospered, and after accumulating vast wealth he moved to this city where he died Monday, September 26th, 1910, at 4:40 a. m., aged 74 years, 8 months and 10 days.

Mr. Hartman has made a success of life, never stopping for obstacles but pushing them out of the way of his path so that he might gain the best in life, that he might give his wife and family every comfort which they desired. He was a good man, good to his family and neighbors, always in readiness to lend a helping hand to the less fortunate one. He leaves a wife and eight children to mourn the vacant place which his death has caused. The children are Theresia Sebernman, of Knobnoster, Mo., Regina Klien, Simon Hartman of Oklahoma City, Eva Hauser, of Nashville, Barbara Christoph, Magdalena Wotte, Eleonora Warner and Anton Hartman, of this city.

Funeral services were held from the St. Joseph's Catholic church, Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, Sept. 27th, 1910, Ellinwood, Kansas. We deeply sympathize with the mourning widow and children.—Ellinwood Leader.

The Great Bend foot ball team went to Lyons last Saturday and waxed it to the boys from the salty town to the tune of 17 to 0. Last year the Lyons boys had a walk-away with our team, and they claim to have a stronger line up this year than last, so that would indicate that we have considerable of a foot-ball team this year. All the boys on the Bend team played a good, consistent game, but the work of Steuri, Gilman and Johnson was especially good.

A baby girl was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goss.

Susank-Hall.

Glenn E. Hall and Miss Rose Susank were quietly married at the Christian parsonage Sunday evening, Elder H. A. Pearce performing the ceremony.

Both the bride and groom are very well known to Hoisington people. They are popular, highly respected and worthy of the companionship of each other all through the balance of life.

The bride has been employed as a saleslady in the Degen's Mercantile Co. establishment for a number of years, and the groom is the proprietor of the only feed yard in Hoisington.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall are now away on a pleasure trip, visiting in Nebraska, Iowa and Missouri, and will be gone about two weeks.—Hoisington Dispatch.

Hefferman-Rogg.

George M. Rogg and Miss Donnie Hefferman were united in marriage at the Russell Catholic church Wednesday morning, September 28th. The nuptial mass was by Rev. Father James McKenna. Archie Hefferman, brother of the bride, was best man and Miss Ella Gory was bridesmaid.

After the marriage ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Rogg went to the Hefferman home in Fairview township where a reception was held.

The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hefferman and is an attractive, agreeable and sensible young lady. She has lived most of her life in this county, and has developed those admirable qualities of womanhood which will adapt her for her part in making a happy home.

The groom is a young farmer of the Pioneer country and is a steady, industrious fellow who wins prosperity and popularity wherever he goes. He has lately bought the Asa Bitter farm and there the new home will be established.—Claffin Clarion.

Haas-Newsom.

One of the prettiest weddings of the season took place Sunday afternoon at the Albert church, when Rev. J. T. Newsom and Miss Frances Haas, both of Albert, were united in marriage, the ceremony being performed by Rev. D. F. Irwin, District Superintendent of the Methodist church, in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends.

Rev. Newsom has been pastor of the Albert church since last spring, and has won many friends during these few months. Miss Haas is well known throughout the county, and her friends are numbered by the score. The beautiful wedding was followed by a reception at the home of the bride.

The happy couple left next day for a short trip in the east. Our best wishes for a happy future go with this couple.

Barn Burns.

Tuesday morning, shortly after 1 o'clock, Frank Highly, who is staying at Geo. Brinson's place, discovered the barn was on fire, and hastily arousing a few of the neighbors made an attempt to save some of the property contained therein, but the fire burned so fast that the barn and almost all the contents went up in smoke.

One side of the barn contained 1700 bushels of wheat and some of this was shoveled out, but all was practically ruined by smoke and heat. The loft was filled with hay and all the farm harness were in the building. Some insurance was carried in the Mutual Insurance Co., of Ellinwood, Mr. Brinson and family were at Hooker, Okla., visiting with C. J. Highly and family at the time of the fire.—Dispatch.

George Dunn, who has been the foreman of the Moses elevator for a number of years, and Mr. Shoemaker, of Heizer, have made a "swap" whereby George becomes buyer for the Moses Bros., at the Heizer market, and Mr. Shoemaker assumes the foremanship of the big elevator here.

She's A Beauty.

Mr. Thompson, the genial manager of the J. I. Case business at this place, has just received a new sample of the Case automobile. This car is beyond question the most beautiful car ever offered for sale in Great Bend, being a torpedo body and built on lines so symmetrical that it can not fail to attract the attention of any observer, be he amateur or professional mechanic.

This car is manufactured by the Case people, and backed by their reputation.

The Case Co. expect to make their leading interests from now on. They have taken an ample amount of time to satisfy themselves as to what is the best type of motor, and have spared no expense in obtaining the same.

This car certainly cannot fail to meet the requirements of the man who is looking for a car that is worth the money. Mr. Thompson will be glad to show the car, and whether you buy or not, if you are able to appreciate good machinery you will feel that the time was well spent in looking this car over.

A Close Call.

Architect Quinn was in Kinsley last Sunday on business, and while there had a mighty close call from being poisoned by eating some tainted meat. After eating his breakfast at the hotel on Monday morning he walked down town, transacted business with one or two parties, and while waiting to see another party stepped into a store to look at some post cards, and noticing a peculiar feeling he walked out into the street thinking the air would straighten him out all right. This was at 10:30, and after 12 o'clock he recovered consciousness in a doctor's office, knowing nothing of what had happened in the meantime. It was necessary for the physician to give him hypodermic treatment along with other restoratives to restore his heart action. The doctor pronounced it a light case of ptomaine poisoning, evidently from the meat eaten at breakfast.

Enumeration of Houses in City.

A careful inspection of Great Bend shows that there are 138 residences and 20 business houses in the First ward, a total of 158. In the Second ward there are 269 residences, 37 business houses, a total of 306. The Third ward has 354 residences and 65 business houses, total of 419. The Fourth has 286 residences and 33 business houses, totaling 319. The grand total of residences in the city is 1,047, which with 155 business houses makes a total of 1,202, residences and business houses in the city.

This does not include churches, school houses, court house or library building. Charley Vancil did the canvassing of the town, and these figures are probably accurate.

Branching Out.

Fred Sieverling's business has out-grown his present quarters, and has necessitated the erection of a larger building. He now has in process of construction a shop 48x80, of sufficient height to permit a complete threshing rig to be run in and turned round, and run out. This room has no pillars nor roof supports of any kind, the roof being self-supporting, the rafters and braces being put together with bolts. Mr. Sieverling will equip a part of the building with one of the finest outfit of blacksmith tools and machinery in Central Kansas. His machine shop and auto repair equipment will be added to until this will be one of the best and most complete shops of its kind in the state.

Mr. Sieverling is a workman of exceptional ability and long experience himself, and will employ none but the best of workmen, and always insists that the work be turned out under his own personal supervision. As soon as the new equipment is installed they will make or repair anything from a hairpin to a locomotive.

Campaign Issues.

Democrats have no lack of live issues this year upon which to wage their campaign. In fact, there are so many issues forced on the notice of the voters through Republican sins of commission as well as omission as to almost confound many voters. The campaign book issued by the National Democratic congressional committee in its table of contents places "The tariff and cost of living" as the paramount issue of the campaign, and "Republican extravagance" as second in importance.

The independent voter is more than ever worth attention this year, because of his greater numbers and his evident trend towards Democracy. Nothing will appeal more to independent voter than the two leading issues as mentioned above, for both touch the pocket, and after all it is the material side that appeals in politics. But there are also great moral issues involved in the tariff and in extravagance. By reason of the tariff the tax is imposed, and by reason of extravagant appropriations much of the tax is wasted. Such is evidently the idea of Governor Austin L. Crothers, of Maryland, who the Baltimore Sun reports "has accepted a number of invitations to speak and who will make as many talks as the duties of his office will permit." The Sun also publishes a statement of Gov. Crothers, outlining the main issues upon which he will speak, in which he says: "The Republican party in its last platform promised that if it were again instrumented with power it would revise the tariff downward, so as to lessen the burdens of the people. Its candidates won. Congress assembled, and a shameful repudiation of that promise was made by the enactment of the Payne-Aldrich tariff law. In this campaign the Republican party, and its candidates, are confronted by the failure to carry out this solemn pledge to the people.

"A party cannot make a more serious mistake than to violate a platform pledge, as it involves the embodied conscience of the entire party adherence. As a result of the failure of the Republican party to revise the tariff downward, the cost of living has continued to increase, constituting a great hardship upon the millions of the toiling masses and consumers of this country. The Payne-Aldrich law has also served to enrich further the privileged masses, in whose interests it was manifestly passed.

"It will not suffice now to promise to relieve this overburdened and sinking ship by the promise to cast Speaker Cannon, the captain of the vessel, overboard. It is cowardly for the Republican party to try to visit its sins upon Cannon alone. Cannon is simply the product of the recent policy and system of the Republican party. He has stood up firm for every move made by the party in the interests of the privileged classes. While it may teach Cannon as an individual a valuable lesson, it by no means relieve the party from the responsibilities of the policy it has been pursuing. Had Cannon served the people with one-half the zeal he has served the special interests, he would not now be turned over naked to his enemies.

"The Democratic party, from all indications throughout this country, seems assured of a triumphant victory. The people are seeming to fully realize that there is no other way by which they can be relieved from the burdens of exorbitant tariff taxation except by the election of Democratic candidates. They believe that the tariff schedules should be reduced by the friends of the consumer."

J. P. Willis, of Carrollton, Mo., has arrived here to take charge of the furniture and undertaking department of the E. R. Moses Mercantile Co.

Lloyd Brown, formerly of this city, is here from Kansas City for a visit with friends. His wife stopped off in Hutchinson for a visit with her parents.